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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for intelligent spellchecking, comprising:

performing a spellchecking of a word by considering an entire sentence and a structure of the entire sentence, in determining whether the word is misspelled.

wherein said performing a spellchecking comprises determining a context of said word by slot-filling.

2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

parsing the sentence to produce a first parse;

examining a list of words in the sentence and identifying a confusable original word along with its a potential replacement word;

replacing the confusable <u>original</u> word with its replacement to produce a resulting sentence; and

parsing the resulting sentence to produce a second parse.

3. (Original) The method of claim 2, further comprising:

comparing slot-filling information of the first parse to slot-filling statistics for the original word.

4. (Original) The method of claim 3, further comprising:

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comparing slot-filling information of the second parse to the slot-filling statistics for the replacement word.

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5. (Original) The method of claim 4, further comprising:

comparing two matches with the slot-filling statistics found for the original word and the replacement word.

- 6. (Original) The method of claim 5, wherein a better match indicates the preferred spelling in context.
- 7. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 2, wherein said first <u>parse</u> and <u>said</u> second <u>parse</u> parses produce a parse score and in determining a parse score each parse automatically considers a slot-filling statistics of the original word and the replacement word.
- 8. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein a comparison of the matches includes checking both a mother designation and a daughter designation of words in said sentence.
- 9. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein a decision as to which word is best depends on comparing <u>a</u> first <u>parse score</u> and <u>a</u> second parse <u>score</u> scores, independently of any use of lexical statistics.

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- 10. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein a selection of a best match for a word determined to be misspelled is performed by comparing <u>a</u> first <u>parse score</u> and <u>a</u> second parse <u>score</u> scores.
- 11. (Currently Amended) A system for intelligent spellchecking, comprising:

a spellchecker for performing a spellchecking of a word by considering an entire sentence and a structure of the entire sentence, in determining whether the word is misspelled, wherein said spellchecker performs said spellchecking by determining a context of said word by slot-filling.

12. (Original) The system of claim 11, further comprising:

a parser for parsing the sentence to produce a first parse;

a detector for examining a list of words in the sentence and identifying a confusable original word along with its potential replacement; and

a replacement module for replacing the confusable word with its replacement to produce a resulting sentence,

said parser parsing the resulting sentence to produce a second parse.

13. (Original) The system of claim 12, further comprising:

a comparison module for comparing slot-filling information of the first parse to slotfilling statistics for the original word, for comparing slot-filling information of the second
parse to the slot-filling statistics for the replacement word, and for comparing two matches
with the slot-filling statistics found for the original word and the replacement word.

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- 14. (Original) The system of claim 13, wherein a better match indicates the preferred spelling in context.
- 15. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 12, wherein said parser produces <u>a</u> first <u>parse</u> score and <u>a</u> second parse score and in determining a parse score each parse automatically considers a slot-filling statistics of the original word and the replacement word.
- 16. (Original) The system of claim 12, wherein a comparison of the matches includes checking both a mother designation and a daughter designation of words in said sentence.
- 17. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 11, further comprising a judgment module for making a decision as to which word is best based on comparing <u>said</u> first <u>parse score</u> and <u>said</u> second <u>parse score</u>, independently of any use of lexical statistics.
- 18. (Original) The system of claim 11, further comprising a selector for selecting a best match for a word determined to be misspelled.
- 19. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 11, wherein a selection of a best match for a word determined to be misspelled is performed by comparing <u>said</u> first <u>parse score</u> and <u>said</u> second <u>parse score</u> scores.
- 20. (Currently Amended) A method for intelligent spellchecking, comprising:

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performing a spellchecking of a word by considering an entire sentence and a structure of the entire sentence, by performing a first <u>parse</u> and <u>a</u> second parse to obtain a first <u>parse</u> score and <u>a</u> second parse score, in determining whether the word is misspelled,

wherein said performing a spellchecking comprises determining a context of said word by slot-filling.

- 21. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 20, wherein a decision as to which word is best depends on comparing said first <u>parse score</u> and <u>said</u> second parse <u>score</u> scores.
- 22. (Original) The method of claim 21, wherein said decision is made independently of any use of lexical statistics.
- 23. (Currently Amended) A signal-bearing medium tangibly embodying a program of machine- readable instructions executable by a digital processing apparatus to perform a method for computer-implemented intelligent spellchecking, said method comprising:

performing a spellchecking of a word by considering an entire sentence and a structure of the entire sentence, in determining whether the word is misspelled.

wherein said performing a spellchecking comprises determining a context of said word by slot-filling.

24. (New) A method for deploying computing infrastructure, comprising integrating computer-readable code into a computing system, wherein the computer-readable code in combination with the computing system is capable of performing a method for computer-

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implemented intelligent spellchecking, said method for computer-implemented intelligent spellchecking comprising:

performing a spellchecking of a word by considering an entire sentence and a structure of the entire sentence, in determining whether the word is misspelled.

wherein said performing a spellchecking comprises determining a context of said word by slot-filling.